



## Aloha dear 'Ohana,

James Keli'ipio Kahea Mawae is a humble man and a great human being. He is the true embodiment of the Native Hawaiian Way of Life. As a Native Hawaiian, his entire life has been to serve the people of his beautiful island of Molokai, and all the people of Hawaii through his many actions, deeds and services. He is the epitome of the Hawaiian spirit and Aloha.... continuing to live in the 'old Hawaiian way' to this day... now 82 years young. Jerry Thompson who is a dear friend and supporter of Keli'i shared with us a brief 'resume'

We hope the following words can light a candle in your heart ... a light of Aloha, respect, and honor for Keli'i.

Cast your voting dollars, as you are able, to support honoring Keli'i... at minimum, bring his Hawaiian spirit and Aloha into your own life or someone you love's life, with his CD.

As I prepared this letter, I realized Keli'i's life is so big, with key parts all woven together with the fabric of Keli'i's beautiful Hawaiian spirit.

- Keli'i, the Public Servant - Caretaker of the People
- Keli'i, the Farmer and Hunter - Caretaker of the Land
- Keli'i, the Fisherman - Caretaker of the Waters
- Keli'i, the Healer - Caretaker of the Medicine
- Keli'i, the Teacher - Caretaker of the Future: Since he was a young man, Keli'i has shared his mana'o (wisdom through experience) in all his walks of life. Those of us who have had the honor of being with him and learning from him, have been truly blessed.

[I Cast My Vote for Keli'i Mawae](#)



## Keli'i, the Public Servant

### Caretaker of the People

- Keli'i has spent his entire life living the Hawaiian way, taking care of others and the land.
- Keli'i retired from Maui County School District as grounds supervisor for 7 schools, after 40 years of service.
- Special Advisor to Senator Daniel Akaka concerning Molokai.

- Special Advisor to Senator Daniel Inouye.
- Served as Honorary Mayor of Molokai (since 1999).

## Keli'i, the Farmer and Hunter

### Caretaker of the Land



- In his early years, as the Honorary Chapter Farmer with the Future Farmers of America, he raised milking cows, pigs, chickens, rabbits, plus corn for feed (10 acres), farmed cabbage, lettuce, carrots, tomato, and taro (1 acre) to provide food on the table plus lunch for the high school students (1951-1956).
- Keli'i provides venison for the community from deer hunting.
- Served as Soil Conservation Engineer under Senator Akaka, Senator Inouye, and Jerry Thompson
- Instrumental in securing Congressional funding for the development of the Molokai Agricultural Development Program (MADP), including initial funding for the livestock slaughterhouse and the vegetable cooling facility.
- Served as the USDA Earth Team Engineer installing conservation practices under the Molokai Agricultural Development (MADP).

### What An Inspiration! I Honor Keli'i



## Keli'i, the Master Fisherman

### Caretaker of the Waters

As the Molokai Master fisherman he provides for the community of Molokai via net fishing, sharing his fish from 1954 to the present day, which included being a provider of fish for the Na Puuwai Health Study (1987).

He says, "Hawaiians always share what we have." This is the true Hawaiian way of life. And I remember life this way on our family farms too... when someone in the community was in need... there was ready help without asking. Not charity. Caring and Aloha. And I bet, you have similar memories in your lives.

- Special Representative to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) for whale and fish preservation.
- Special Advisor representing Molokai fishermen with the Western Pacific Regional Fishery Management Council (WestPac) (1990-2000). Attended in this position at a special advisory meeting in Samoa, 1990.
- Trainer for fishing akule, bottom fish, also net fishing on the Libra boat and Kai Mamala boat.
- Director of Aku Boat Training for 7 years, in the first pilot program with Senator Daniel Inouye and West Pac, with the first-of-its-kind grant ever received on Molokai.

82 Years Young... I Vote for Keli'i

## Keli'i, the Healer

### Caretaker of the Medicine

Keli'i is a healer. He heals people with his Aloha. The food he shares - plants, meats, fish - all carry the love he has for Molokai and its people. Nourishment that feeds hearts, minds, and souls.

He heals people with native Hawaiian medicines such as Noni. He has distributed his medicinal noni fruit and products made of it from the trees he cares for and its fruits he harvests.

Keli'i heals with his music. Ki Ho'alu is medicine... ask anyone that's ever listened, relaxed, felt their hearts open, releasing hurts and replacing them with their own soul's pure light.



Everyone needs a Keli'i in their life!

*Mahalo nui loa for listening and learning a bit about our dear kumu (teacher) and kupuna (elder). We hope you were touched and inspired. We will send you links to more samples from his CD soon. A hui hou,*



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